



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: City Council Policy Regarding Impartial Analysis, Arguments and Rebuttal Arguments for Any Measure(s) Brought Before the Voters At the November 3, 1998 General Municipal Election

MEETING DATE: June 3, 1998

PREPARED BY: City Clerk

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 98-88 regarding impartial analysis, arguments and rebuttal arguments for any measure(s) that may qualify to be placed on the ballot for the November 3, 1998 General Municipal Election will be by lot.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The State of California Election Code sets forth that whenever any city measure(s) qualifies for a place on the ballot, the governing body may direct the City Elections Official to transmit a copy of the measure(s) to the City Attorney for preparation of an impartial analysis. The Election Code further sets forth the process for receiving arguments for and against the measure(s) and for the submittal of rebuttal arguments.

The City Council is hereby requested to adopt a resolution regarding impartial analysis, arguments for and against any measure(s), and for the submittal of rebuttal arguments as set forth in the State of California Election Code for any measure(s) that may qualify to be placed on the ballot for the November 3, 1998 General Municipal Election.

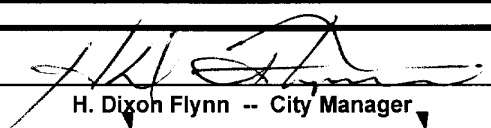
FUNDING: None required.


Alice M. Reimche
City Clerk

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Attachment

APPROVED: _____


H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 98-88

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LODI, CALIFORNIA,
SETTING FORTH THE COUNCIL'S POLICY REGARDING IMPARTIAL
ANALYSIS, ARGUMENTS AND REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS FOR ANY
MEASURE(S) THAT MAY QUALIFY TO BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT
FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 1998 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

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WHEREAS, the State of California Election Code sets forth that whenever any city measure(s) qualifies for a place on the ballot, the governing body may direct the City Elections Official to transmit a copy of the measure(s) to the City Attorney for preparation of an impartial analysis. The Election Code further sets forth the process for receiving arguments for and against the measure(s) and for the submittal of rebuttal arguments;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby set forth the following as it pertains to any measure(s) that may qualify to be placed on the ballot for the November 3, 1998 General Municipal Election:

SECTION 1: The City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby direct the City Clerk to transmit a copy of any measure(s) that would qualify to be voted upon at the November 3, 1998 General Municipal Election to the City Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis of the measure(s), showing the effect of the measure(s) on the existing law and the operation of the measure(s).

SECTION 2: The City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby determine that written argument for or against any city measure may be submitted pursuant to the Election Code of the State of California. No argument shall exceed 300 words in length.

SECTION 3: The City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby determine that rebuttal arguments may be submitted pursuant to the Election Code of the State of California. Rebuttal arguments shall not exceed 250 words in length.

Dated: June 3, 1998

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 98-88 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held June 3, 1998 by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members - Johnson, Land, Mann, Pennino
and Sieglock (Mayor)

Noes: Council Members - None

Absent: Council Members - None

Abstain: Council Members - None


Alice M. Reimche
City Clerk